

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 276

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Amy Michaelson, 2001
Valedictorian of Smyrna High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Amy Michaelson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Smyrna High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Amy has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, Miss Michaelson has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; she was an All-American Scholar as a Freshman, was several times Student of the Month, and has received academic awards for Physics I, Spanish II, English I and II, Chemistry I, Biology I in addition to receiving the Academic Achievement Award for all four years; and

WHEREAS, Amy has attended the prestigious Governor's Schools for the Humanities and for International Studies; she received first place for the Rube Goldberg Award at

Vanderbilt, won second place at the Vanderbilt Science and Engineering Fair, ranked 13th in the Tennessee National Spanish Examination, is a University of Tennessee Andy Holt Scholar, placed second in the Lion's Club Essay contest, was a member of the Science Olympiad Regional Champion team and was in the top ten percent of NEDT; and

WHEREAS, Miss Michaelson has been recognized as an athlete scholar by the TSSAA for four years and received the Tennessee Titans Scholar-Athlete of the Week Award as a Senior; she was named to the All-Area Soccer team for three years and to the All-District team for four years, was Soccer Offensive MVP for two years and Soccer MVP as a Junior; and

WHEREAS, Amy demonstrates distinct leadership qualities, having been named Best All-Around Senior Superlative, and having received the Principal's Leadership Award, the Murfreesboro Exchange Club Youth of the Month Award, and the Optimist International Youth Achievement Award as a Senior; she has been Class President for three years, and a member of the Student Council since her Sophomore year and has served as the Student Council President as a Senior; and

WHEREAS, Miss Michaelson is a member of the Drama Club and Thespians Society, has performed in M*A*S*H and has played the lead roles in The Boyfriend and Seven Brides for Seven Brothers; she is Vice President of the National Honor Society chapter and a member of the Interact Club, the Beta Club, the Pep Club, and Mu Alpha Theta, has been a member of Leadership Rutherford, was a member of the Science Club for three years, has attended Volunteer Girls State, was on the Zama City Student Exchange, and is involved in Bulldog Bandstand; and

WHEREAS, Amy plays in North Rutherford United Club Soccer and participated as a Junior in Tennessee Olympic Development Program Soccer, as well as serving as a Recreational Soccer Referee for three years; she also has served as an Office Aide and a Mathematics tutor; and

WHEREAS, Miss Michaelson has found time to render valuable service to her community through Ables and the Boys and Girls Club for four years, the Good Shepherd

Foster Home for two years, Wherry Housing for two years, Teacher Appreciation Week for two years, Habitat for Humanity for two years, St. Thomas Hospital, Cancer Relay for Life, Nashville Dog Day, and Nissan Family Day; and

WHEREAS, Miss Michaelson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Amy's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Marc and Debbie Michaelson, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Amy's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Smyrna High School Valedictorian, Amy Michaelson, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.